

# Recreation Issues Meeting

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**Land Stewardship Section** 

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## **Tonight's Discussion**



- Construction & Project Updates
  - A-1 FEB
  - C23 C24 PSGHA
- Hunting in the STAs
  - Alligator
  - Waterfowl
- Rules
  - County-wide Alligator permits

### **Project Updates**



- A-1 FEB Update
  - Still under construction
    - Added water, October 2015
    - Construction into 2017
  - 2016 FY make improvements to structures for public access
  - Recreational access potentially 2017 fall season
- C23 C24 PSGHA
  - Requested for 2017 and future years

## **STA Alligator Hunting**





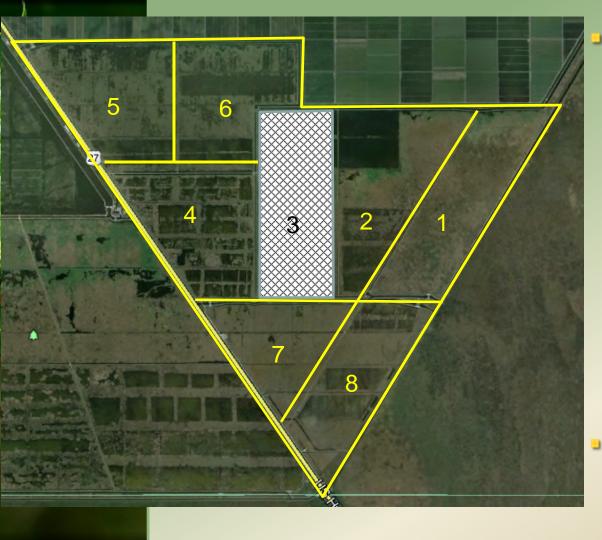
- Alligator harvest periods on STAs changed:
  - From separate 3 week continuous harvest periods
  - To alternating 1 week harvest periods
  - 1, 2, 1, 2, 3, 3, 3, 3, 3
  - Each hunter has 1 more weekend
  - First Sunday eve of each harvest period
    - 1st Harvest Period
       2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest Period
       3<sup>rd</sup> Harvest Period

# **STA Waterfowl Hunting**



- Waterfowl
- Fridays on two STAs
  - STA 1W South
  - STA 3/4 East
    - Change east hunt from Saturday to Sunday
  - FWC permits and check stations
  - Staff redirects Friday activities to other STAs
  - On 1W and 3/4 redirect Friday activities to other portions

#### **STA 2 Hunting**



#### Waterfowl

- STA 2 Science work in cell 3
- Close primary cell, 3
- Use cells 4, 5, 6, andopen new cells 2 and 8
- Move parking
- Review access into cells

#### Alligator

No change to area due to cell 3

#### Rules



- County-wide Alligator Harvest Permits
- Many WMD waters and wetlands are incorporated into FWC Alligator Harvest Units
- Rule 40E-7.5381– No Hunting on Right of Way
  - Right of Way includes water and banks
  - ROW established for water conveyance
    - Often mixed land rights
    - Fee ownership
    - Private and Public lands with easements
    - Owner retains rights to public use
- Cooperate with FWC to clarify permit language in future seasons

#### **Questions**



